

JUSTIFICATION FOR
COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL

Based upon the following justification, the proposed procurement action described below is being utilized pursuant to the authority of Section 11-35-1530 (1) of the South Carolina Consolidated Procurement Code.

The method of purchase, Request for Proposals, to **Provide Job Readiness and Life Skills Classes for Lancaster, Union, Chester, York and Richland Counties** is being used in lieu of a Sealed Invitation to Bid in that there are other factors to consider other than the total cost of the service. Examples of these criteria include:

- ▶ Knowledge, Experience and Qualifications
- ▶ Processing Procedure/Approach and Capabilities to Provide Special Requirements
- ▶ Costs (Total yearly cost to be evaluated)
- ▶ References from clients and results of 3rd Party Attestation audit report

Due to the evaluation criteria beyond mere cost, the mechanism and flexibility of a Request for Proposal is better suited to serve the needs of the State than that of an Invitation to Bid.

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RFP

STATE PROCUREMENT
GOVERNMENTAL BODY

SIGNATURE

PROCUREMENT MANAGER
TITLE

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